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Question:

Has the Department considered providing additional book UV-C sterilisers in public libraries for use by readers to safeguard readers' health and maintain hygiene? If there is such a plan, what are the details and the estimated expenditure involved? If no, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (LegCo internal reference no.: 248)

Reply:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department will procure book sterilisers for public libraries, and the procurement process is underway. A total of 70 book sterilisers will be provided progressively in public libraries for public use starting from 2020, and the total estimated expenditure is \$2.5 million.

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